AN

ABSTRACT, &c.

IT is well known that Dr. Graham was moſt regularly brought up to the profeſſion of Medicine at the juſtly celebrated Univerſity of Edinburgh, and that for many years paſt he has travelled over moſt parts of the world, with the view of bringing to perfection this moſt uſeful and moſt honourable art. His new and improved methods of curing the moſt rooted and moſt dangerous diſeaſes, conſiſt in regimen, herbs, ſimple medicines, the choiceſt articles of the *Materia Medica* and æthereal eſſences, rendered more ſalutary and active by the moſt powerful vital agents in nature; and the great numbers who DAILY by theſe means are cured radically of the moſt dangerous and moſt confirmed diſeaſes, are really aſtoniſhing—even after they have been turned incurable out of hoſpitals, and given over by the moſt celebrated of thoſe phyſicians, who are fettered and confined in the regular trammels of the Medical craft or art. Dr. Graham, therefore, for the public good, as well as for his own honour and emolument, THINKS IT HIS DUTY to depart from what is called the regular mode, by thus publicly announcing his intention of practiſing in this town and neighbourhood, and laying before them the following cures for the information and encouragement of the afflicted.

Fourteen cures in obſtinate and ſevere maladies, eſpecially in the gout, confirmed dead palſies, rheumatiſms, &c. which Dr. Graham lately had the high honour of performing immediately under the eye, and of having atteſted by the hand-writing of the Prince of Heſſe-Caſſel! the Ducheſs of Devonſhire! Lord and Lady Spencer! &c. &c.

15. Mrs. Catharine Macaulay Graham, the juſtly celebrated hiſtorian (ſiſter to John Sawbridge, Eſq; Member of Parliament for the city of London) cured of that variety of ſymptoms which accompany a relaxed ſyſtem, and an irritable ſtate of nerves, viz. pains in the ſtomach, indigeſtion, trembling of the nerves, ſhivering fits, repeated pains in her ears and throat, and continual agitations of body and mind, which had reduced a conſtitution, originally delicate, to an almoſt inſupportable degree of weakneſs and debility. Theſe complaints had been brought on or increaſed by a ſeven years ſevere application, in writing her invaluable Hiſtory of England, of which eight volumes in quarto are already publiſhed.

To the letter which that lady had the goodneſs to publiſh, containa full account of her late caſe and cure, addreſſed to Dr. Graham, is annexed the following Poſtſcript :

" I am happy, Sir, in being able, from what I have ſeen, and from what has come *to my certain knowledge*, to congratulate you on the great ſucceſs which has attended YOUR MEDICINES and peculiar methods of cure in the moſt deſperate ſtages of conſumptive, aſthmatic, nervous, bilious, and ſcorbutic diſeaſes : ſuch inſtances cannot fail, in ſpite of the envy and calumny of the Faculty, to eſtabliſh the reputation of YOUR MEDICINES and medical practice to your own honour and emolument, and to the bleſſing of mankind in general, in matters of the higheſt ſublunary importance, namely the prolongation of life, and the enjoyment of health.

*** Mrs. Macauly has lately married Dr. Graham's only brother. At the time of performing ſo great and ſo important a cure, and of receiving the letter above alluded to, and which is publiſhed at full length, in Dr. Graham's book of the preſent ſtate of medical practice, Dr. Graham little expected the high honour and happineſs of ſo near an alliance with ſo great and ſo amiable a character.

The lady of Sir John Miller, Baronet, of Bath-Eaſton Villa, near Bath, cured of a rheumatic pain in her face, to which her ladyſhip had been ſubject for ſome years; and likewiſe of head-aches, colds, and ſlight ſore throats. In the ſame letter which ſhe had the goodneſs to ſend to Dr. Graham, with leave to publiſh it, her ladyſhip deſcribes the caſe and cure of her own French maid, of a complication of diſorders, eſpecially of ſevere nervous complaints, adding, " I think it, Sir, incumbent on me thus publickly to mention, that, *to my certain knowledge*, you have proved your ſkill in the cure of three other perſons, whoſe maladies, in many reſpects, were of a ſtill more dangerous nature.

21. The following letter is from the Rev. Dr. Thomas Wilſon, Rector of St. Stephen's, Walbrook, and Senior Prebendary of Weſtminſter Abbey.

To Dr. GRAHAM.

DEAR SIR,

I HAVE no ſort of objection to your mentioning in the moſt public manner the perfect cure you happily performed in my caſe, by means of YOUR ÆTHEREAL AND OTHER MEDICINES, &c. I had laboured, for many years, under an oppreſſion of the lungs; attended in the ſpring and fall of the year with a troubleſome and tormenting cough. My complaints had baffled the ſkill of the beſt phyſicians in London.—The hot well water at Briſtol I had often tried, but to no effect; and the naſeous drugs from the apothecaries ſhops were ſo far from giving me eaſe, that they really increaſed my ſufferings, inſomuch that I had great reaſon to apprehend a CONFIRMED aſthma and conſumption. It is now, Sir, near twelve months ſince you cured me, and I have not had the leaſt return of thoſe troubleſome and very dangerous complaints,

I am, dear Sir,

Alfred-houſe, Bath,
Jan. 5th.

Your ſincere friend,
Thomas Wilſon.

22. G. F. Eſq; of Bath, cured of deafneſs, and of a ſcorbutic complaint, by a three weeks courſe of MY MEDICINES, and electricity.

23. The Hon. Mrs. Fairfax at Bath, cured of a ſeverely painful and complicated jaundice, in a few days; and in about ſix weeks by continuing the medicines, &c. not only the jaundice with all its concomitant ſymptoms were effectually cured, but even the paralytic cold numbneſs, low ſpirits, &c. perfectly removed.

24. A lady of fortune at Bath, well advanced in years, cured of a moſt excruciating pain in her head, day and night, and almoſt total blindneſs, of near a year's ſtanding, occaſioned by an operation performed on her eye by the moſt celebrated oculiſt in Europe, Baron de W.

25. H. Diſney Roebuck, Eſq; of the Creſcent, Bath, cured of hardneſs of hearing and noiſe in his ears, occaſioned by a weak irritable relaxed ſtate of his nerves and a ſcorbutic humour.

26. Mr. Edmund Rack, ſecretary to the Philoſophical Society, and to the Society for the encouragement of Arts, Manufactures, and Commerce, at Bath (recommended by the Rev. Dr. Wilſon) cured of a ſevere aſthmatic and conſumptive complaint, and of a moſt troubleſome cough of more than ſeven years ſtanding.

27—8. Mrs Brett of New King's-ſtreet, and Mrs. Lambert of the Circus, Bath, both completely cured of deafneſs, and the moſt diſtracting noiſe in their ears, occaſioned by a want of good wax, and by weak relaxed nerves.

29. A reſpectable young gentleman at Briſtol, radically cured of a deep conſumption, by the judicious uſe of my medicines, &c. and the gentle application of the medicated electrical fire.—He is ſince married, and has got fine children.

N. B. Several of his family had died of conſumptions.

30. Mrs. Cox of St. Phillip's Plain, Briſtol, cured of an aſthma and conſumption, when at the point of death, and given over by all the faculty, by the regular and determined uſe of my balſamic medicines, &c.

31—8. Mrs. Dyer, in Trinity-ſtreet, Mr. Harris, millener and Haberdaſher in Clare-ſtreet, and Mr. Vining, grocer, on the Great Bridge, Briſtol, all cured of deafneſs.

33. Mr. Orchard, baker and confectioner, in Horſe-ſtreet, Bath, cured of a ſhortneſs of breath, and almoſt continual cough and ſpitting, with which he had been afflicted near thirty years, by a regular though ſhort courſe of MY wonderfully efficacious medicines. Mr. Orchard can now walk ſix or eight miles on a ſtretch, without pain, difficulty, or oppreſſion.

34. A gentleman near Bath, cured of an inveterate ſcorbutic complaint, under which he had laboured from his infancy, and which had degenerated into an univerſal leproſy, being covered all over, from head to foot, with white ſcaly ſcurf, frightful cracks, and horrid offenſive blotches.

35. Mrs. Mary Kelly, of Park-houſe, near Bath, cured by my excellent medicines, &c. of a dead palſy, complicated with a dropſy, and

alarming conſumptive complaints, under which ſhe had long laboured, notwithſtanding the endeavours of the moſt celebrated of the faculty at Bath.

36. Mr. Thomas Nourſe, of Shire Hampton, cured of a rheumatic gout, which had brought on a total palſy, and deprived him of the uſe, and of all motion of his limbs.—Mr. Nourſe was cured by me in a few weeks, ſo that he could walk well without his crutches, and after he had beon turned out incurable, and much worſe, from the Bath Hoſpital, after having been a patient in it for more than eight months.

37. Mrs. Mary Bailey, oppoſite Walcot Church, Bath, completely and laſtingly cured of a confirmed black jaundice, dropſy, and aſthma, of ſeveral years continuance, when at the point of death, after having been diſmiſſed from St. George's Hoſpital in London, after being in it three months, and from the Bath Hoſpital, in which ſhe was a patient two months. Her liver was ſchirrous, hard as a ſtone, and ſwelled to a monſtrous degree; and ſhe was covered all over with purple and black blotches.

38. The lady of a captain in the army, perfectly cured, after having been confined to bed, unable to turn for ten weeks, and brought to the point of death after a miſcarriage in the ſixth month.

39, A noble counteſs, well advanced in years, cured of a rheumatic gout, of two years ſtanding, which had ſwelled to a monſtrous ſize, and deprived her ladyſhip of the uſe of her hands, arms, and one knee.—This extraordinary cure was performed in five weeks.

40. A Glouceſterſhire gentleman, a ſtaunch fox-hunter and a hard drinker, radically cured of a confirmed dropſy and black jaundice, occaſioned by a long confinement, after having had his collar-bone and ſeveral of his ribs broken by a fall from his horſe in hunting.

41. A lieutenant in the royal navy, cured of a moſt dreadful venereal and ſcorbutic complaint, under which he had laboured four years; after having been ſeveral times ſalivated. The gentleman was covered all over with blotches, had a *fiſtula in ano*, violent ſtraining, pain and obſtruction in making water, and was ſo weak and emaciated as not to be able to walk or ſtand without crutches. He was perfectly cured in ten weeks.

42—3. Two other gentlemen in the King's ſervice, recommended by the ſame officer, were cured, the one of a monſtrous ſwelled ——, the ſize of a pint pot, and of eight months continuance; the other of ſtoppages in the urèthra, from ulcers and ſtrictures of ſix years duration, occaſioned by ill-cured venereal complaints and free living. He could make water but in a very ſmall ſtream, with frequent deſire, and ſometimes almoſt total obſtructions,—But were all the cures I have performed in the above and ſimilar caſes, and of gleets and weakneſſes in both ſexes, to be printed, they would occupy many large volumes; and the numbers whom I have had the pleaſure of reſcuing from wretchedneſs, from a ſtate worſe than death, brought on by imprudence, exceſſes, or ſecret venery in early youth are likewiſe very great.

Great numbers in the courſe of the laſt year I have cured of putrid ulcerated ſore throats, hoarſeneſſes, and loſs of voice.

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44. The daughter of a great perſonage in Groſvenor Square, aged twelve years, cured of a dreadful ſcrophulous diſorder, of ſix years ſtanding, after having baffled every thing that could be done for her in Europe.—Her ladyſhip's throat, neck, arms, and feet were ſwelled and diſeaſed to a ſhocking degree, many pieces of bones had come away, and ſhe was pale, weak, and emaciated to a great degree. This moſt important and unexpected cure was radically performed in four or five months.

The multitude of ſeemingly miraculous cures which I have performed in ſcrophulous ſwellings, ſtiffneſſes, ſores, and lameneſs, in London, as well as in every place where I have practiſed, is well known to many perſons and perſonages of rank and character in London, Edinburgh, aud Bath.

45—6. Two young gentlemen, and an amiable young lady, cured radically of a diſorder which was brought on in the lady's caſe by drinking cold water while hot, after dancing. They were covered all over from head to foot with red blotches, or white ſcaly powdery ſcurf, although in all other reſpects they ſeemed perfectly well. They were all effectually cured in about two months, and have continued moſt perfectly well ever ſince.

The numbers which have been cured of the moſt confirmed aſthmas, coughs, conſumptions, and of thoſe excrutiating diſeaſes, the ſtone and gravel, are equally aſtoniſhing and unprecedented.

47. Mr. William Everſon from Gateſhead, Newcaſtle, cured of a dead palſy, which had deprived him of the uſe of both his arms, &c. and

48. Mr. Monro, a ſchoolmaſter in the ſame place, cured by my great medicines of a conſumption, hoarſeneſs, cough, hectic fevers, &c. after having been under the cure of the principal phyſicians in Edinburgh, and Newcaſtle for ſeveral months.

49. Mrs. Mary Hay, of Newbiggin, near Morpeth, of a diſeaſe in her bladder, under which ſhe had laboured five years, ſuffering day and night the moſt excrutiating tortures in making water every minute or two. I had the pleaſure, the high honour of curing Mrs. Hay in a fortnight, after having been for months in London under the care of Dr. Cooper, man-midwife, and the celebrated ſurgeon Pott, and after having uſed in vain opiates, uva urſi, ſoap, and lixivial medicines, mercury, hemlock, and a three months courſe of Adams's ſolvent. See the poetry at the end of this pamphlet.

50. The Rev. Mr. Murray of Newcaſtle (author of the Sermons to Aſſes, &c. and of the Hiſtory of the preſent American war) cured of the ſtone by my great medicines, which that learned and ingenious gentleman ſays in his polite and obliging letter to me, did him more good in one week than Adam's ſolvent, &c. had done in half a year.

51. The ſon of a worthy and moſt reſpectable farmer, in the north of England, afflicted for ſix or ſeven years with a terrible ſcorbutic or rather leprous eruption all over him, was in the following condition when firſt brought to me; his ſkin, from the crown of his head to the ſoles of his feet, had the appearance of raw fleſh, or was covered over with a white powdery ſcurf; the rawneſs and foreneſs was ſo very great in ſome places, particularly his neck and ſhoulders, that

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he could not move his head without turning his whole body, and that with great pain. The glands in his groins and arm pits were ſwelled to a great degree. The regular faculty were of no ſervice to him. The ſea, Harrowgate, upwards of ſixty bottles of Mr. Norton's Maredant's drops; a long courſe too of Mr. Spilſbury's, and in ſhort every outward and inward application and medicine, foreign and domeſtic, that could be thought of, produced not the ſmalleſt nor the moſt tranſient good effects.

In this pitiable, and indeed hopeleſs condition, did he apply to me. —Many days did not elapſe before his friends obſerved the moſt flattering alterations for the better in every reſpect, by the determined uſe of my great medicines, in leſs than a month, his worthy and reſpectable father, and ſeveral who were acquainted with him, came to ſee him; they ſcarcely knew him again; he had now recovered his fleſh, and a freſh healthy colour and good ſpirits, and could bear all his cloaths faſt about him. The young gentleman was with me only about ſix weeks; he went home ſupremely happy, and was, when I laſt ſaw him, after having been the half of his life in the above condition) entirely clear, whole, and well *in every reſpect*, and has continued ſo ever ſince.

52. J. L. Eſq; a worthy gentleman of diſtinction and fortune, perfectly cured of a moſt painful, inconvenient, and dangerous complaints in the urinary organs, under which he had laboured for eleven years, proceeding from ill-cured, or rather neglected, venereal diſorders, in a long and impetuous purſuit of pleaſure. This gentleman had tried, at different times, the principal phyſicians and ſurgeons in England, Scotland, France, and Italy; bougees too, and every thing that could be thought of, without any conſiderable or laſting benefit. He was completely cured in two months by the peculiar methods I employ in ſuch truly pitiable and moſt difficult caſes.

53. Miſs B. George's Square, Edinburgh, a young lady, about eleven years of age, of a delicate conſtitution, had for about ſix years been afflicted with glandular obſtructions and ſwellings, and with ſores in the upper as well as the lower extremities. Every thing internal and external, which the regular practice of Phyſic and Surgery could ſuggeſt, and a plentiful fortune afford, was tried under the inſpection of a very affectionate and intelligent mother; her conſtitution was attempted to be ſtrengthened and braced, by a proper regimen,—by living for ſeveral ſeaſons at the ſea-ſide, and by conſtantly bathing in that great and mighty element. Theſe means, however, and the beſt aſſiſtances of phyſick and ſurgery, produced only temporary and partial good effects. I found her, when I had the honour of being conſulted, in a very weak, pale, and languid ſtate. She had the langor, the coldneſs, and the clayey paleneſs of death. She had ſeveral very large and hard glandular ſwellings, with a deep blackiſh ſore on the ſhin-bone of one leg, and ſeveral openings in one foot, from all of which, ſeveral ſplinters, and little exfoliations of rotten bones, had at times been thrown out. That foot, too, was ſo conſiderably ſwelled, weak, and painful, as to confine the child to her room, and prevent her from the benefit of walking.

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I aſſured her worthy and much eſteemed parents, that from many ſimilar caſes I had cured, – a cure of Miſs ———'s caſe was not improbable. Nor were we at all diſappointed in our moſt ſanguine expectations.—For, from the firſt day my ætherial medicines and applications agreed perfectly well, and produced very ſenſible and viſible good effects. Her appetite, ſpirits, and looks every day improved,—the ſwellings decreaſed;—and the ſores healed;—inſomuch that in a few weeks ſhe was able, and actually did walk to the ſea-ſide for air and exerciſe, and ſometimes home again, which is at leaſt three Engliſh miles. The young lady, with a degree of good ſenſe, reſolution and firmneſs, ſeldom found at her age, continued to perſevere, with pleaſure, about three months in uſing my æthereal and other medicines, bath, applications, and influences; and obtained under God, a perfect reſtoration of health and ſtrength in every reſpect. The ſwellings are all moſt perfectly removed;—the ſores firmly healed;—and her fleſh, ſpirits, colour and ſtrength, perfectly recovered:—all which a few days ago, I had the honour and ſincere pleaſure of hearing, continued to improve, without even the ſhadow of a relapſe.

54. Mr. Robert Noble, ſhoemaker in the Cowgate, Edinburgh, had for ſeveral years been afflicted and often reduced to the point of death with an aſthmatic and conſumptive complaint—by profuſe colliquative ſweats and diarrhœa's; by violent pain, conſtant ſpitting, coughing and difficulty of breathing, he was brought to the laſt degree of weakneſs---and for ſome purpoſe or other, he had a certificate of his being abſolutely incurable from Doctor Cullen and Doctor Monro, who had done their beſt for him. From the firſt day he became my patient he found conſiderable eaſe; and by continuing my very powerful and very friendly medicines, &c. about ſix weeks he was moſt thoroughly cured of all his complaints, and could breathe ſo eaſy, that he walked up the long ſteep hill on which the city ſtands, without ſtopping, and without pain; and I heard lately that he is now well in every reſpect.

55. Mr. William Johnſon, of Dundee, who had been turned out of the Royal Infirmary at Edinburgh as incurable, of the ſtone and gravel, and a diſorder of ſeveral years continuance in his bladder, was cured by my peculiar methods of treating theſe dreadful complaints, in a few weeks: He had moſt excrutiating pain after making water, and very frequently a deſire, though only a few drops could be forced away; on the leaſt free living violent exerciſe or motion, he paſſed great quantities of broken ſtone, gravel, ſlime, or blood, with his water: with a conſtant ſolicitation, a violent ſmarting, or dull heavy pain. This aſtoniſhing cure was performed in the ſhort ſpace of five or ſix weeks.

56. A gentleman of family and of very large fortune, near Edinburgh, ſeventy years of age, had been afflicted for ſeveral years with what was called the Stone and Gravel. For more than a year before he did me the honour of ſending for me, he had been tormented every few minutes, day and night, with a ſudden and irreſiſtible deſire to make water; a ſpoonful generally, and ſometimes only a few drops was diſcharged at once, with the moſt violent ſtraining, and with the moſt

moſt agonizing ſpaſmodic pain. It often, too, came away involuntarily—was generally high coloured, ſometimes depoſiting ſandy and gravelly ſubſtances, with a bluiſh oily ſkim; at other times, a yellowiſh, red, or brick-duſt-coloured matter or ſediment.

Lime water, ſoap, opiates, and all that the moſt eminent phyſicians and ſurgeons in Scotland could do for him, availed but very little. Worn out with conſtant torture, and deſpairing of relief, he was pleaſed to ſend for me.—He told me that the medical gentlemen he had employed had aſſured him that his diſeaſe was the Stone; and he wanted to know whether I would adviſe him to undergo the operation of cutting! or whether I could, by my peculiar art, afford him any tolerable relief. I told him, in expreſs contradiction to the faculty, and even to what he himſelf,—his friends, and a very careful intelligent ſervant who conſtantly attended him, believed, that his diſorder was NOT alone the Stone; but that it was a ſevere gravelly complaint, complicated with a paralytic weakneſs of the neck of the bladder;--and, moreover, that the whole ſubſtance of the bladder was ſpongy or honeycomb like, thickened and full of matter; and that the internal ſurface, eſpecially about the ſphincter muſcle, or neck of the bladder, was in a raw, inflammatory, and extremely irritable ſtate. I therefore ſmiled at the idea, and diſſuaded him from all thoughts of the operation; telling him, that if I might preſume on my ſucceſs in ſimilar caſes, I might promiſe him conſiderable relief. During this converſation, I was a witneſs repeatedly of the agony, and intolerable torture he endured, in ſtraining to make water. In ſo diſmal and hopeleſs a ſituation, it will eaſily be believed that the gentleman eagerly conſented to ſubmit to whatever I recommended. He immediately did me the honour of becoming my patient; and complied with all my directions: in leſs than a week, he himſelf, and his very attentive ſervant, were fully perſuaded that I was right in the account I had given of his diſorder; for the gravelly ſubſtances were diſſolved and diſcharged, and a conſiderable quantity of the matter that I had deſcribed, which my moſt powerful medicines and applications had brought away, was ſent in to me for my inſpection at my houſe in Edinburgh.—The water he made was every day leſs red and muddy, in a large quantity, diſcharged ſeldomer, and with leſs and leſs pain—the raw, inflamed, and extremely irritable ſtate of the bladder went ſpeedily off; the ſpongy ulcerated texture of the bladder collapſed and healed: the paralytic ſpaſms were removed; and the healthy tone and retentive firmneſs of the urinary organs recovered;—inſomuch, that in two or three weeks from the time he was pleaſed to commit himſelf to my care, he was able to bear the motion of his coach, and came frequently with joy and pleaſure from his ſeat, which is ſeveral miles from Edinburgh, to take the medicines at my own houſe—making water without pain, of a healthy colour, in proportional quantities, and at proper periods of time.

This very extraordinary and moſt important cure was performed in the month of September laſt, and at the writing of this ſketch, June the fourth, I have not heard of any return of that dreadful and moſt painful of all diſorders.

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